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VIA ELECTRONIC FILING AND OVERNIGHT DELIVERY

The Honorable Jocelyn G. Boyd Chief Clerk/Administrator Public Service Commission of South Carolina 101 Executive Center Drive, Suite 100 Columbia, South Carolina 29210

Re: Annual Review of Base Rates for Fuel Costs of Duke Energy Carolinas,

LLC

Docket No. 2017-3-E

Dear Ms. Boyd:

Enclosed for fling on behalf of Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC ("DEC" or the "Company"), please find the Direct Testimony and Exhibits of the following witnesses:

- 1. Scott L. Batson
- 2. Kenneth D. Church
- 3. Jason D. Martin
- 4. Joseph A. Miller, Jr.
- 5. Brett Phipps
- 6. Kimberly D. McGee

The Company respectfully requests that Exhibit 3 of Scott L. Batson be accepted by the Commission under seal and maintained as confidential pursuant to Order No. 2005-226. Company witness Batson's Exhibit 3 contains certain proprietary and confidential information relating to sensitive outage information that if disclosed, could negatively impact DEC's ability to safely and reliably provide effective service to its customers. The Company requests that the Commission grant the Company's request for confidential treatment, pursuant to 26 S.C. Code Ann. Regs. 103-804(S)(2)(2015 Supp.) and the Freedom of Information Act, S.C. Code Ann. § 30-4-10 et seq., and protect this information from public disclosure.

By copy of this letter, I am serving all parties of record via electronic mail. Should you have any questions regarding this matter, please do not hesitate to contact me at 803.988.7130.

Sincerely,
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Enclosures

cc: Service List